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Mr. H. McAllister, PhD.
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Dear Mr. McAllister:

I have been chosen chairman of the second biennial FASEB (Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology) Summer Research Conference on **"CYTOKINES AND LIPID MEDIATORS IN REGULATION OF CELL FUNCTION"** to be held August 8-13, 1993 at Copper Mountain, Colorado. This conference will tentatively have sessions on the following topics:

1. Regulation of cell functions by cytokines. I.
2. Regulation of cell functions by cytokines. II. Receptors and their inhibitors.
3. Extra - and intracellular phospholipase A2. I.
4. Extra - and intracellular phospholipase A2. II.
5. Eicosanoids and cell function I.
6. Eicosanoids and cell function II.
7. Molecular mechanisms and genetic regulation.
8. Cell - cell interaction (adhesion molecules, paracrine signals).
9. Lipid mediators in cell/tissue injury.

Vice-Chairman of the conference is Dr. R.C. Murphy of the National Jewish Hospital, Denver, Colorado. About 50 participants from various countries have tentatively accepted invitations to speak, depending of financial support in many cases. I have enclosed a separate preliminary list of participants in order to

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give you a more precise feeling for the high quality, interdisciplinary meeting that it will be. The meeting is particularly useful and important; it is the only conference of this type devoted to this topic. Recent progress has been rapid and exciting, particularly as to the potential new clinical relevance of basic work in the **LIPID CYTOKINES AND MEDIATORS AND THEIR ACTION ON TISSUE AND CELL FUNCTIONS.**

I am trying to raise at least $60,000 for partial support of participant's travel, registration, hotel and meal expenses. Thus, I am writing to you to inquire about a possible financial contribution. Senior invited speakers as well as junior investigators would be eligible for support. The conference will be advertised by **FASEB** to their entire membership, as well as in various journals and Society Newsletters. It is expected that a large number of people will apply. Attendance is limited to approximately 150-220 individuals, including speakers. It is important to involve young people in such a meeting for obvious reasons, but they often have the most limited resources.

If you would like more details about the meeting, please contact either myself or Dr. R.C. Murphy, National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine, 1400 Jackson Street, Denver, CO 80206, U.S.A. (Tel. (303) 388-4461).

I and the other conferees will greatly appreciate any financial help you can give. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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Chairman

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Enclosure

p.s. Checks should be annotated "Cytokines and lipid mediators in regulation of cell function" and made payable to:

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